RESOLUTION# 10-21

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MARQUETTE, IOWA AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF AN IJOBS II APPLICATION TO THE IOWA FINANCE AUTHORITY TO LEVERAGE FUNDS RELATIVE TO THE MITIGATION OF FUTURE FLASH FLOOD EVENTS IN TARGETED AREAS OF THE CITY OF MARQUETTE, IOWA

WHEREAS, the I-JOBS II Program was signed into law by Governor Culver on April 26, 2010 to help strengthen lowa's economy, help rebuild projects resulting from natural disasters, and preserve or create thousands of jobs; and

WHEREAS, the City of Marquette, Iowa experienced flash flood events that created significant flooding and debris displacement in certain targeted areas; and

WHEREAS, following these events, the City commissioned a study to define the problem, evaluate infrastructure improvements that could alleviate the problem and preserve existing developed areas; and

WHEREAS, the study determined that several improvements, including parallel outlet pipe or box culverts, several right-of-way improvements, and pond improvements are warranted and will prevent adverse impacts; and

WHEREAS, the Engineers Opinion of Probable Cost for this phase of improvements totals approximately \$1,415,000. Further, the City will provide approximately \$507,500 in matching funds necessary to complete the planned improvements associated with this phase of this project; and

WHEREAS, the City has completed preliminary designs for this project; and will incur at least 10 percent of the project's total projected development costs within three months of execution of the grant agreement; and

WHEREAS, the City submitted a notice of Intent to Apply for IJOBS funding on July 23, 2010 to the lowa Finance Authority and this agency provided the City notice that the proposed project was consistent with the mandated use of IJOBS II funds; and

WHEREAS, the IJOBS II program requires applicants to provide evidence of Local Support for the proposed project, including the submission of an official resolution from the applicant authorizing the submission of the IJOBS II application; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Marquette, Iowa as follows:

1. The City Council supports and endorses this IJOBS II application;

2. The City of Marquette, lowa will commit an estimated \$507,500 of the local funding match required; and

3. Authorizes appropriate public officials to submit this application on or before August 2, 2010.

Passed and approved this 20th day of July, 2010.

MAYOR

City Clerk

Attest

Dean Hilgerson

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Sent:

Tuesday, July 27, 2010 3:26 PM

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Subject:

Watershed Improvement Review Board (WIRB) grant award

Attachments:

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Hi Dean.

Congratulations on having your grant application selected for funding by the WIRB! It was nice visiting with you on the phone earlier. Attached and copied below is a press release for your use as you deem appropriate for notifying the public of the grant award.

The WIRB will be sending you a letter confirming the grant award and providing additional information on reporting requirements, works products, etc

I look forward to working with you on the Bloody Run Watershed project.

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For Immediate release Tuesday, July 27, 2010

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FIVE WATERSHEDS SELECTED FOR GRANTS

DES MOINES – The Watershed Improvement Review Board recently approved five applications totaling \$796,500 in grants to support projects that will improve water quality or reduce flooding in the state.

The grant funds will be matched by recipients, who will provide approximately \$1.77 million in funding from the local communities to support these projects. As a result, \$2.56 million will be going to improve priority watersheds throughout the state.

"These projects are a partnership between local and state organizations that are committed to improving water quality or prevent flooding in their watershed," Mark Rosenbury, chair of the Watershed Improvement Review Board said. "These applicants leveraged federal, state and local funds to expand the impact of their proposal. These projects will address runoff and drainage, sedimentation, urban stormwater, flooding, and a number of other issues that impact the state's waterways."

The approved projects have already completed watershed assessments that identified critical water resource areas and will focus on implementing specific water quality or flood reduction improvements. The projects will start after a grant agreement is signed between the applicant and the Watershed Improvement Review Board.

Soil and water conservation districts, public water supply utilities, counties, county conservation boards, cities, and local watershed improvement committees were eligible to apply. Individual projects could request up to \$200,000.

The Watershed Improvement Review Board is comprised of representatives from agriculture, drinking water and wastewater utilities, environmental organizations, agribusiness, and the conservation community along with two state senators and two state representatives.

To receive more information or ask questions, contact Jerry Neppel at 515-281-3599.

The approved grants follow here:

Watershed Name	Organization	Project Length	Counties	Grant Amount
Bloody Run Creek	City of Marquette	1 year	Clayton	\$200,000.00
Lost Island Lake Watershed	Palo Alo County Conservation Board	1.5 years	Palo Alto, Clay	\$180,000.00
Rathbun Lake Watershed	Rathbun Land and Water Alliance	4 years	Appanoose, Clarke, Decatur, Lucas, Monroe, Wayne	\$200,000.00
White Oak Lake	Mahaska County Conservation Board	3 years	Mahaska	\$100,000.00
Williamson Pond Watershed	Lucas SWCD	26 months	Lucas	\$116,500.00

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